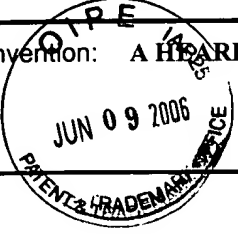
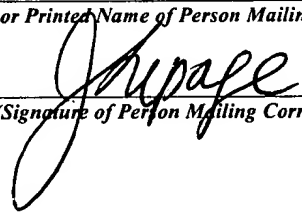


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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement dated March 7, 2006, Applicants request entry and consideration of the following:

Amendment to the Claims, beginning on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks, beginning on page 5 of this paper.